

*Executive Proclamation*  
*State of South Dakota*  
*Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Arvilla "Billie" Bauer was born May 9, 1933, grew up in Eureka, South Dakota, and left home at the ripe old age of 18 to seek her fortune and make her way in the world; she met and married Richard Schlaak of Belgrade, Minnesota, just two years later on November 16, 1953, and they have made their home in Pierre for the past five decades; and,

*Whereas*, Dick and Billie were blessed with four beautiful children: Richard, Terry, Kathy, and Jay; they in turn have presented them with seven perfect grandchildren; and,

*Whereas*, Billie is known far and wide as an incredibly hard worker who can wait on more tables at one time than anyone (as long as her station is free), all the while keeping an eye out so the popcorn never burns; and,

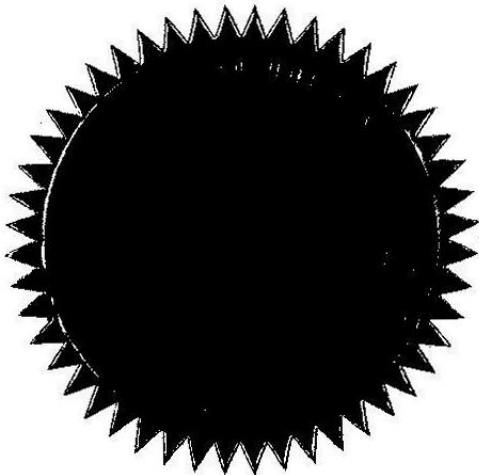
*Whereas*, Billie greets all her customers by name with a hearty welcome and always remembers their usual order, even those who only stop by once a year on their annual pheasant or walleye trip to Pierre; and,

*Whereas*, Billie has worked at Bob's for 30 years, and a celebration in her honor will be held there on Saturday, May 10, as her friends and family gather to wish her a happy 70<sup>th</sup> birthday:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 9, 2003, as

***BILLIE SCHLAAK DAY***

in South Dakota, in honor of a woman who has always put South Dakota's best foot forward with a friendly and genuine welcome to all our visitors who pass her way.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

*M. Michael Rounds*  
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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Chris Nelson*  
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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State